

St. Conleth's College

School Self-Evaluation

A report on our Student, Parent & Teacher Survey Responses

June 2019



1 Overview

This purpose of this report is to

- Analyse the formal feedback given to us by our students, their parents and our teachers.
- Use the feedback to track progress of our School Self Evaluation (SSE) and School Improvement Planning (SIP) process 2018-19 and
- Help guide us toward future targets for improvement in the school year 2019-20 and beyond.

This year we requested an evaluation from all our students, their parents and teachers. We conducted anonymous online surveys with a response rate of 66% amongst students (184 out of 280). We heard from 128 parents and 20 teachers.

The students were asked a range of questions concerning

- The school in general
- Assessment and learning
- Literacy and
- Numeracy
- Managing myself
- ICT use for education

The first years were also surveyed using the Indiana Mathematical Belief scale.

The parents were asked about their interactions with and impressions of the school. This year I added some questions that were asked in the parents and students WSE/MLL surveys.

Teachers were asked about the usefulness of the SSE/SIP process, on ICT use and support and were asked for general feedback.

1.1 Most highly ranked statements

The top 10 most agreed with statements in the surveys were:

Students:

- I feel safe in this school.
- I am able to do good group-work or pair-work with other students
- Students and teachers have a good relationship in this school.
- We explore and create different types of texts in class including written, oral and digital texts
- During class I am encouraged to develop my understanding and use of new words and language
- I have been taught how to assess my own work.
- I am encouraged by all my teachers to reflect on where I went wrong and learn from my mistakes.

- I am encouraged to read over and check my work in all of my classes..
- I am proud to say that I'm a pupil at this school.
- I have opportunities to assess my own work on a regular basis.

Parents:

- There is a good atmosphere in the school
- It would be good for parents to be able to view information about their child's assessment attendance or lateness online.
- I feel welcome in the school
- My child feels safe and well looked after in the school
- Overall I am happy with the school
- My child is treated fairly and respectfully in the school
- My child enjoys school
- I am in favour of the use of digital technologies to enhance teaching and learning at school.
- I have been informed of the schools code of behaviour school rules
- My child enjoys using digital technologies to learn.

In the analysis of feedback that follows, the responses have been averaged out across each year or by gender. The scoring scale goes from 1 (lowest) to 5 (highest), so, in the charts that follow, the longer the bar the better.

Finally, an analysis is carried out comparing the overall trend in our results.

2 Survey Responses

The students were asked some general questions about their attitude to St. Conleth's and also sets of questions that relate directly to our School Improvement Plans.

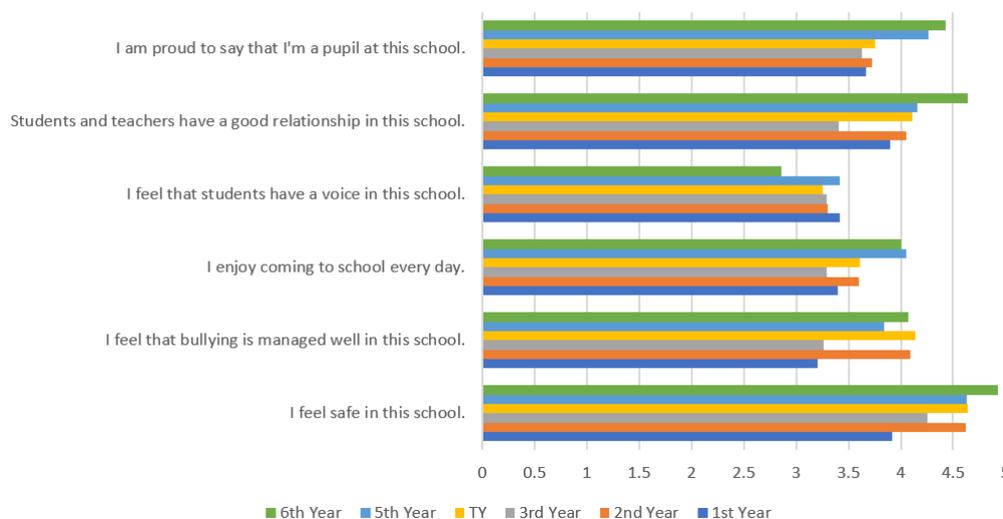
In addition, they were asked for their own comments. These are worth reading and are included in the appendix to this document.

2.1 General attitude to School

These graphs show the students' general attitude to and experiences of St. Conleth's. For the most part, it is evident that students develop an even more positive attitude toward the school as they progress through the years.

The section on bullying is worthy of a special analysis, with worryingly poor results in 1st and 3rd year.

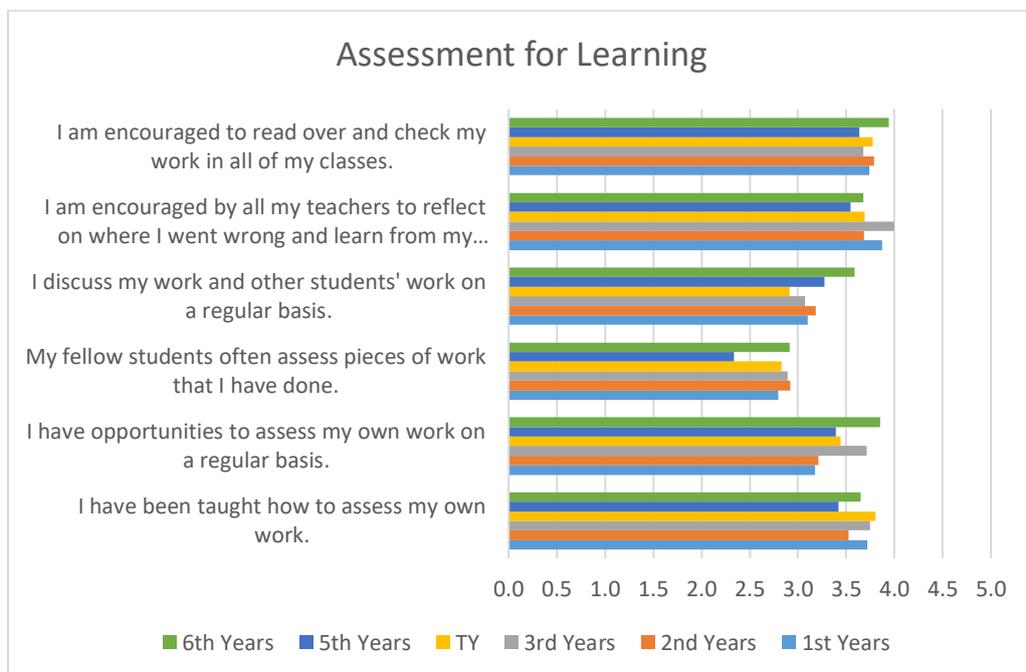
Students attitude to St Conleth's



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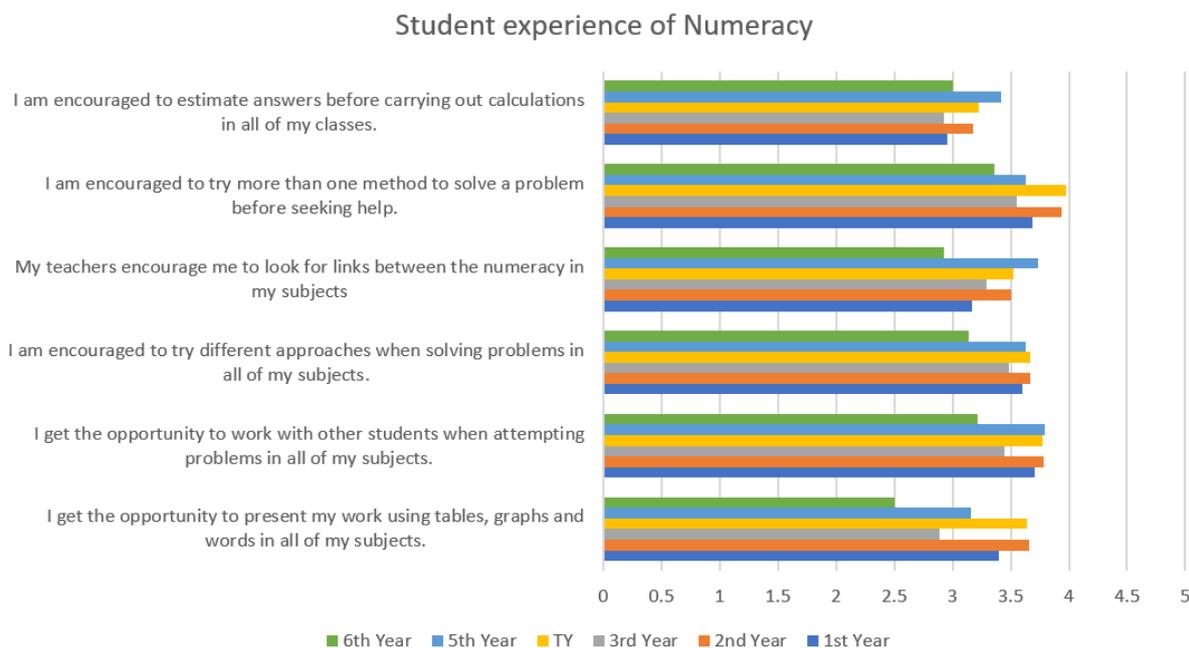
“**Assessment for Learning** is the process of seeking and interpreting evidence for use by **learners** and their teachers to decide where the **learners** are in their **learning**, where they need to go and how best to get there.”

Our aim this year was to improve our practice in this area and many teachers engaged in specific actions such as peer correcting and displaying examples of excellent student work. The student responses to our survey questions are shown below.



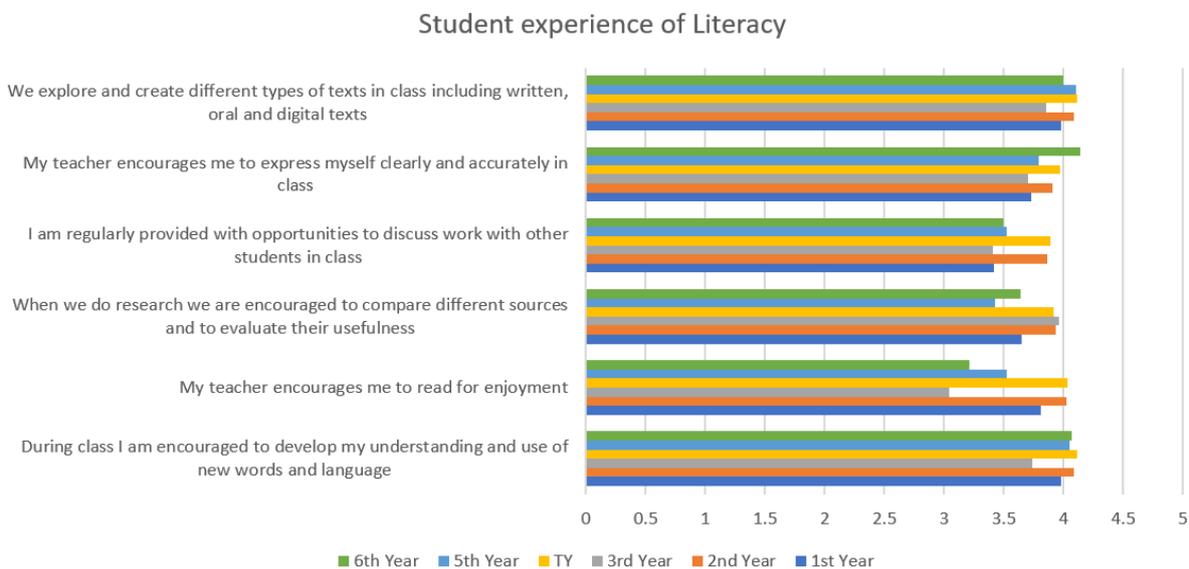
2.3 Numeracy

The graph below shows student responses to questions relating to numeracy and problem solving in St. Conleth's. The ICT related questions have been separated out.



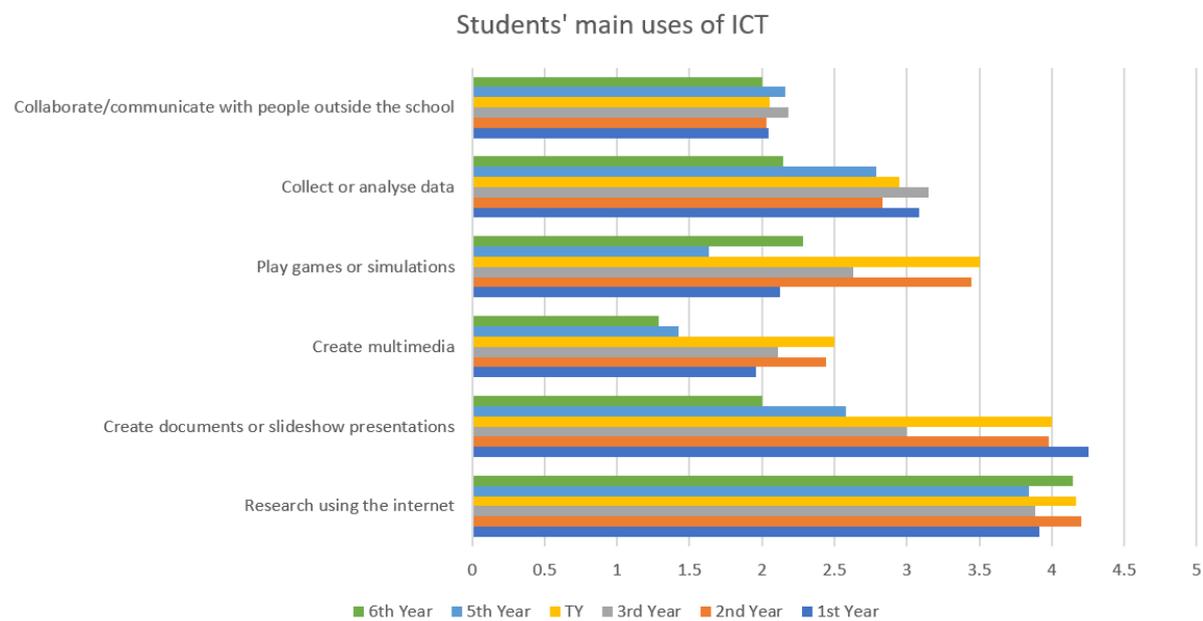
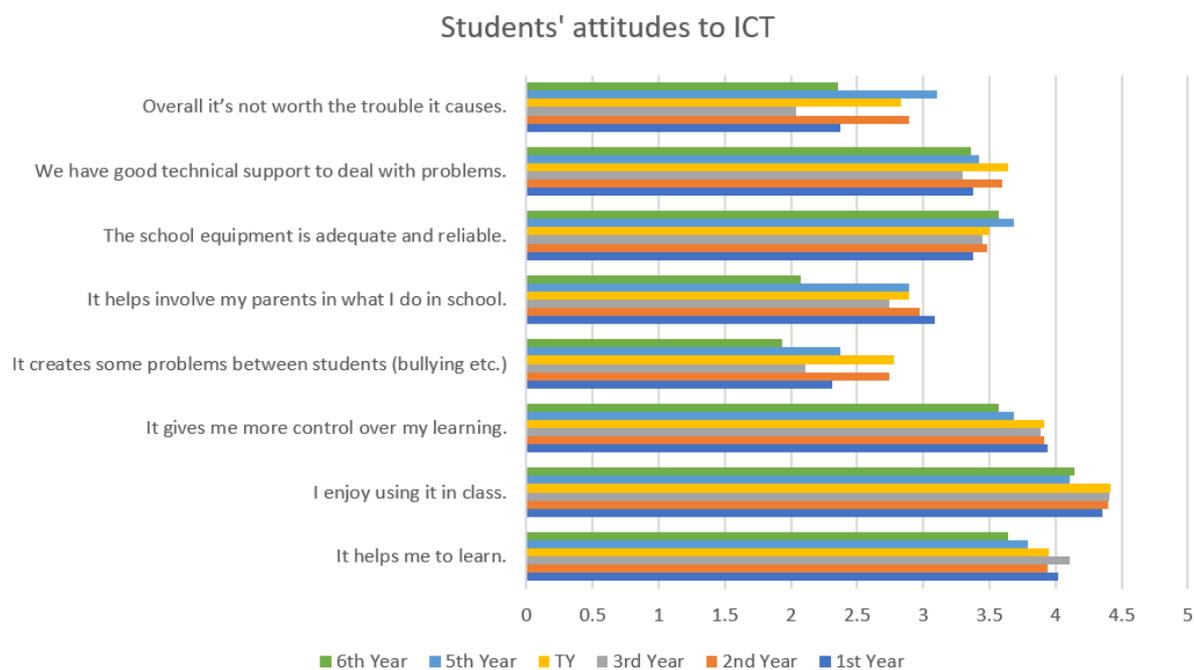
2.4 Literacy

Our literacy measures from previous year carried forward into this year. Our results continue to improve overall.



2.5 ICT

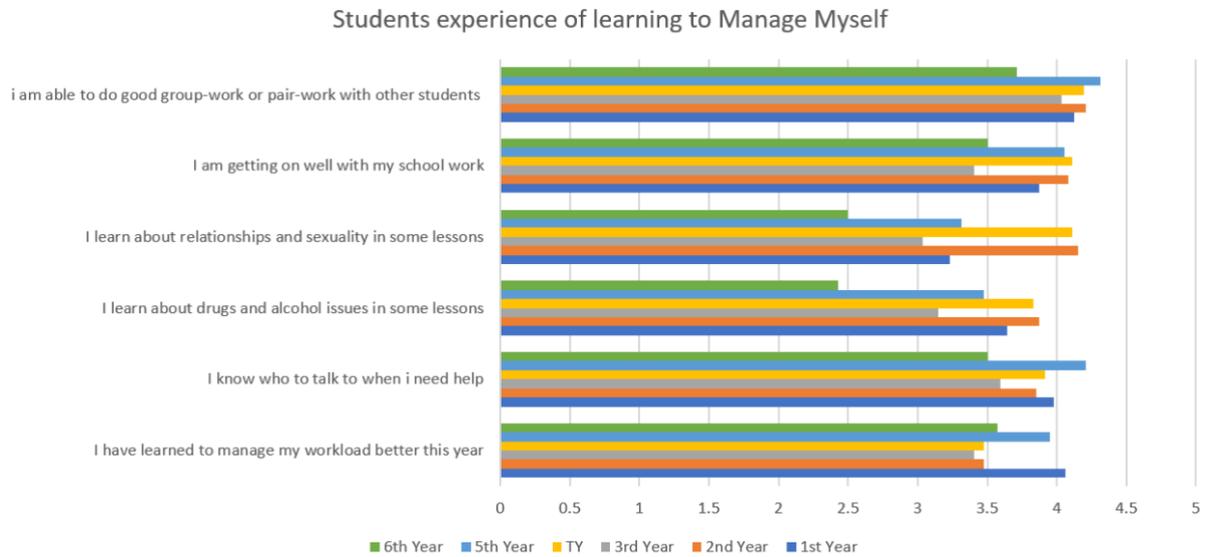
There were specific ICT-related questions in this year's survey for students, parents and teachers. The students' responses are shown below.



It is clear from the data above that there was considerable variation in the level of use of ICT across the years. From the graph below we can see that different subjects also use ICT to different extents. These are the levels reported by the students.

2.6 Managing myself

Our new target for the year was to try to get students (particularly 1st years) to be able to manage themselves better – incorporating personal organisation, relationships, study, extra-curricular activities and general wellbeing. Our survey questions aimed to find out how well their personal management skills had developed over the year.



Appendix A – Parent Comments

The following comments were given by some of our parents.

Comment

Conleths have been hugely understanding, helpful and supportive. Thank You.

lovely school, great atmosphere and good memories

You guys are doing a good job well done and thanks.

Thanks to management, teachers and other staff for all the hard work and support.

Our son is happy, which is the most important thing.

Our daughter is happy at St Conleth's. She is well taught, respected and cared for. She will need help going up a gear in her final year, but I feel we can ask for that. Thank you.

While digital technology is useful, I still believe that students should use text books.

The canteen seems very good with Vegetarian and Vegan options coming into it which is great to see and with a greater emphasis on clean eating and good nutrition I would like to see some thought-leadership on the canteen and what is fueling the students daily with an emphasis on educating them on what they are consuming and how it impacts them personally and the planet/environment. Thanks

Thank you to all the staff for all their hard work during the year

The 6th Graduation was a lovely ceremony, which reinforced that we were very happy with our choice of St Conleth's
